

WORLD PEACE PLAN NEAR FULFILLMENT

PEACE IN PACIFIC BY 4 PLY PACT

Anglo-Jap Treaty Sidetracked for Quadruple Agreement—Spokesmen of Nations Agree—Sen. Lodge Presents New Document—Paves Way for Naval Reduction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Anglo-Japanese alliance, long regarded with apprehension by the American people, passed into history today when spokesmen of both nations at the arms conference accepted in its stead a new four power agreement for preservation of peace in the Pacific to which the United States and France became parties.

This action with fulfillment of details to follow, paves the way to acceptance of the American proposals for reduction of naval armaments, and in large measure is expected to contribute to settlement of the Chinese questions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The draft of the proposed treaty by the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan, which is to supplant the Anglo-Japanese alliance and pave the way for the acceptance of the American proposals for naval reduction was formally laid before the arms conference today by Senator Lodge.

It is a ten-year agreement in which the nations bind themselves in the case of disputes, which cannot be settled by diplomacy agreed to a joint conference among themselves.

Any one of the parties may withdraw on twelve month's notice, after 10 years.

The treaty requires confirmation by the senate.

Senator Lodge presented the treaty to the conference in the following statement:

"I should be insensible, indeed, if I did not feel deeply gratified by the opportunity, which has come to me to lay before the conference a draft of a treaty the terms of which have been agreed upon by four of the great powers of the earth in regard to the islands of the Pacific, which they control, either as possessions or dominions. It will begin by reading to the conference the treaty which is both brief and simple and which I am sure is full of meaning and importance to the world's peace.

"The United States of America, the British empire, France and Japan.

"With a view to the preservation of the general peace and the maintenance of their rights in relation to their insular possessions and insular dominions in the regions of the Pacific ocean.

"I have determined to conclude a treaty to this effect and have appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

"The president of the United States of America.

"His majesty the king of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British dominions beyond the seas, emperor of India—

"And for the dominion of Canada.

"For the commonwealth of Australia.

"For the dominion of New Zealand.

"For India.

"The president of the French republic.

"His majesty, the emperor of Japan.

"Who having communicated their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows:

"I. The high contracting parties agree as between themselves to respect their rights in relation to their insular possessions and insular dominions in the regions of the Pacific ocean.

"If there should develop between any of the high contracting parties a controversy arising out of any Pacific question and involving their said rights which is not satisfactorily settled by diplomatic means it is likely to affect the harmonious accord now happily existing between them they shall invite the high contracting parties to a joint conference to which the whole subject will be submitted for consideration and adjustment.

"II. If the said rights are threatened by the aggressive action of any other power, the high contracting parties shall communicate with one another fully and frankly in order to arrive at an understanding as to the most efficient measures to be taken jointly and separately, to meet the exigencies of the particular situation.

Bonus Bill Validity Decision Delay Holds Up State Tax Levy

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 10.—Until the supreme court hands down an opinion on the validity of the state bonus and loan act for ex-service men, the state commission will be unable to make the annual state tax levy. If the bonus and loan act is upheld, then the state levy must account for the special levy required under that act. The tax commission today made known the percent of state taxes which are to be paid by each county of the state, based on the percent of equalized value of taxable property in each county to the total taxable value of the state. Jackson county's figure is .027274.

DE VALERA APT TO RESIGN IF TREATY SIGNED

Belfast Press Calls Irish President 'New Die Hard'—Daily Cabinet Split, But Not Liable to Prevent Passage of the Anglo Treaty.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Dispatches to the morning newspapers generally confirm the view previously published that the split in the Daily Eireann cabinet is not likely to prevent passage of the peace treaty by the southern Irish parliament although views differ whether the number in its favor will be small or large. If the Daily Eireann ratifies the agreement, Eamon DeValera the "new die-hard" as Belfast newspapers describe him, will according to some versions, resign as head of the Daily government and Arthur Griffith will succeed him. Should this occur, Austin Stack, minister of home affairs and Charles Burgess, minister of defense, will, it is thought, follow his example as they have supported his stand against the treaty.

Sir James Craig, Ulster premier, conferred with Prime Minister Lloyd George yesterday and their conversation was to be resumed today.

SAND LOT PLAYERS TO BE TRAINED

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Training schools for sand lot baseball players, or the formation of a special circuit for the development of "future greats" may soon be among the possibilities of baseball. They have been suggested to major league magnates as means of solving the problem of escaping from "frenzied finance" in baseball and are expected to be discussed at the annual meetings of the National and American league here.

FARMERS SEEK LAW FOR \$2.50 WHEAT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Legislation to revise the United States grain corporation with a government guarantee of probably \$2.50 a bushel for wheat will be asked of congress, it was announced today by the farmers national council. The "standard fourteen ounce loaf of bread" says the announcement, "can profitably be sold for five cents if farmers get \$2.50 a bushel for their wheat by preventing profiteering between the wheat farmer and the consumer of wheat products."

WORLD ACCORD ACCEPTED FULLY BY ALL POWERS

France, Italy and England Agree to Principle Without Reservation—Balfour States British Stand and Viviani the French Viewpoint.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Rene Viviani, head of the French delegation, declared the conference had "fully and entirely succeeded," and that France adhered to the pact presented by Senator Lodge without reservation.

Arthur J. Balfour, chief of the British delegates, asserted the new arrangement would benefit international relationships. He referred to the abrogation by the new treaty of the Anglo-Japanese alliance and said there never had been any intent that it should "touch" the interests of the United States.

Japan's gratification over the new agreement was voiced in turn by Prince Tokugawa. Senator Chancier, head of the Italian delegation, bespoke the satisfaction of his government over the four-power agreement.

Minister Sze of China expressed "great satisfaction" at the work of the conference and gratification over the new treaty.

Rene Viviani then presented the position of France on the new treaty. Praising the instrument as a clear and precise presentation of a great principle, M. Viviani said France gladly accepted a place in the new international concord.

"The moral value," of the treaty, said the French statesman, was an element that would be greatly prized by his nation.

Senator Lodge's analysis of the meaning of the treaty was also praised by M. Viviani, who paid tribute to the general accomplishments of the conference. France, he said, never had hesitated to "seal with her blood" the obligations she assumed, and she never would fail to do so whenever necessity arose in the future.

M. Viviani said that France gave "full adhesion, without reservation, to the pact that has just been read."

Should any question arise, he said, should real danger threaten then the four nations will take counsel together.

"This conference," said M. Viviani, "has fully and entirely succeeded."

Speaking for Great Britain, Arthur J. Balfour expressed faith that the new arrangement would be potent for good international relationships.

Referring to the provision abrogating the Anglo-Japanese alliance Mr. Balfour declared he was well aware that the alliance had been the cause of much suspicion and controversy in the United States. He added that nothing was further from the original intention of Japan and Great Britain that the alliance could "touch in the remotest way" the interests of the American government. But, Mr. Balfour continued, a situation had arisen in the Pacific that had led many Americans to wonder why the alliance was continued after Germany and Russia had collapsed and thus had removed much of the cause for the agreement. It had become apparent, said the British spokesman, that the alliance no longer was necessary, yet, he added, it was not easy for two nations casually to repudiate a compact that had linked them together for twenty years.

"Great Britain," said Mr. Balfour, "found itself between two great misunderstandings; a misunderstanding if they continued the treaty; a misunderstanding if they renounced the treaty."

LEMARS, Ia., Dec. 10.—Rev. Father Wrenn, former priest of Akron, Iowa, convicted of assaulting 15-year old Ethel Bray, with intent to commit rape, was today sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Fort Madison prison. Motion for a new trial was denied. Counsel for Father Wrenn will appeal to the Iowa supreme court.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 10.—According to a report from the state highway department, the highway commission of Oregon has an overhead expense of \$5.98 for every \$100 of the total amount of money expended. The department has just completed a compilation of its overhead costs for 1921, and also its yearly report of operating costs for machine shops and the equipment department.

Accused of Bribery



James A. Stillman

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Charges that agents for James A. Stillman, New York banker, attempted to corrupt and bribe prospective witnesses in the trial of his divorce suit against Mrs. Anne U. Stillman were made by defense counsel in a hearing before Supreme Court Justice Morschauer.

The charges were made by John E. Brennan, of Yonkers, chief of Mrs. Stillman's counsel, in applying for a commission to take testimony at Montreal where he said, the allegations would be supported by 33 witnesses. Asked by Outbridge Horsey, of counsel for Mr. Stillman, to name the agents charged with attempting to suborn Canadians, Mr. Brennan said he could mention but two at this time, Francis Jajole and J. Albert LaFontaine, both of the province of Quebec.

OREGON OPENS WAR ON DRUG HABIT

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 10.—In letters addressed today to Dr. Frederick D. Stricker of Portland, secretary of the state board of health and to Frank S. Ward of Portland, secretary of the state board of pharmacy, Governor Olcott set in motion the machinery of those two boards to assist in eliminating the narcotic evil in Oregon.

The governor asks the two board secretaries to conduct an investigation into every phase of the traffic. As soon as the investigation has proceeded far enough it is the executive's intention to call a joint meeting of the two boards where the information obtained by the investigation shall be placed before the board members.

Observations made by the governor in connection with inmates of the state penitentiary and by other methods revealed a serious situation, particularly in Portland, he said.

PRIEST SENTENCED TO PRISON TERM

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BAD MAN DIES AT PAL'S HAND AFTER ESCAPE

J. C. Howard, Convict, Shot Tom Slaughter in Back—Posses Search for Body—Likened to Jesse James Betrayal—Five Surrender.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 10.—(By Associated Press.) The last escape of Tom Slaughter, notorious bandit, with a record of nearly a score of breaks for freedom from southwestern jails and prisons, led to his death in the Saline county hills at the hands of one of the convicts he liberated, according to the story on which Sheriff J. J. Crowe's posses early today were basing their search for Slaughter's body.

The posses plan to take up the trail from the point where Slaughter and his companions abandoned their bullet riddled automobile yesterday and fled into the woods.

J. C. Howard, who surrendered with five others of the seven who accepted Slaughter's offer of freedom, told officials he shot Slaughter in the back and had intended to shoot him from the moment the party made their escape.

The note, Howard says he left in the prison, bearing the same statement, could not be found early today.

Beside the body of Slaughter, according to Howard's story, lay a dying negro, wounded in a fight with the authorities of Benton who were watching for the fleeing prisoners.

Prison authorities today were endeavoring to trace the source of the pistol which gave Slaughter the chance to effect his domination of the penitentiary, lock up the warden and his family in the death cell, secure civilian attire and an automobile for the escape and offer freedom to all the convicts who wished to join him.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 10.—(By Associated Press.) The shooting of the bandit, Slaughter by Howard, the man to whom Slaughter had given a chance for liberty, parallels somewhat the death of Jesse James, the southwest's best known outlaw. James, however, was shot by a relative and old friend, while Howard, it is understood, was not a former associate of Slaughter.

With the gradual scattering of the James boys band through relentless activities of police and state authorities, Jesse James retired to his home at St. Joseph, where for a time he remained undisturbed.

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FIND AGREEMENT ON EUROPEAN REFUND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Agreement was reached today by the senate finance committee on the bill for the funding of the foreign debt into obligations which would mature not later than June 15, 1947, and the interest on which would be at the rate of five per cent per annum to be paid semi-annually.

The committee agreed to the house provision for a commission of five to conduct the funding negotiations with the secretary of the treasury as chairman, but inserted a provision that the other four members would be subject to confirmation by the senate. The members would be appointed by the president. The house bill provided that all should be cabinet officers.

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Wife Tries Suicide, Husband Flees, and Charity Aideth Not

SEATTLE, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Kathryn Goldman, 21, who attempted suicide by drinking poison in a hotel here Thursday, was pronounced by physicians today to be on the road to recovery. Mrs. Goldman told police that she had decided to kill herself after her husband, S. C. Goldman, had left her and her eighteen months old daughter penniless and that an appeal to a charitable organization had failed to provide her with funds. Police have been unable to locate the husband, who is said to be a member of a prominent Arizona family.

LONDON PAPERS IN HIGH PRAISE OF ARMS WORK

Morning Post Declares President Harding Earns Respect of World By Following the Course That Brought Failure to Predecessor.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The work thus far accomplished by the Washington conference, especially the agreement for a four-power treaty as a substitute for the Anglo-Japanese alliance, is highly praised in the editorial columns of this morning's newspapers. The editorials give unreserved praise to President Harding and Secretary Hughes for the parts they have played.

The Morning Post describes the four-power agreement as "indisputably the greatest accomplishment in conservative statesmanship of our time," and adds:

"The president has earned the esteem and respect of the civilized world, in that he has chosen with admirable courage to attempt a course which brought failure to his predecessor."

The Daily Telegraph declares that the quadruple alliance, if adopted, will establish in the Pacific something in the nature of the Monroe doctrine.

After lauding the initiative taken by President Harding and Mr. Hughes, the Telegraph says:

"There have been conferences before but never one held under such favorable auspices, and for that not only the president and his colleagues deserve grateful thanks but also the great mass of American people."

REED LEADS FIGHT ON PEACE MOVE

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DAN CASEY DENIED NEW TRIAL PLEA

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10.—Dan Casey, convicted of murder in the first degree for killing J. H. Phillips, railroad detective, and sentenced to hang January 26, was today denied a new trial and was taken to the state penitentiary at Salem.

POWERS WILL BE KIND TO CHINA, ALSO

Root's Four Points to Be Charter of Rights—Resolution Is Adopted—Future Treaties in Conflict to Be Prohibited—Hughes Pleased

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The fourth plenary session of the arms conference opened promptly at 11 o'clock with a statement by Secretary Hughes that "most satisfactory progress has been made by the committee of the whole on Far Eastern questions."

"The first subject considered was China," said Secretary Hughes. "In the course of the general discussion most important declarations were made on behalf of the powers represented, expressing their intentions, with respect to the sovereignty, independence and administrative integrity of China and also to observe as among themselves, the principles of fair and equal opportunity."

Secretary Hughes added that the "Root four points" constituted in truth, a charter containing an assurance to China from acts in derogation of her rights to integrity and also a binding agreement for future guidance of the powers.

Mr. Hughes said also the Root resolution was an insurance that as between powers, there would be careful observance of the principle of free and equal opportunity and that none would secure special advantages or privileges at the expense or rights of others. All that was necessary, he added, was to have the formal assent of the conference and he invited China's assent.

The Chinese accepted the invitation and the resolution was approved unanimously.

The committee resolution of November 29 declaring in principle for abolition of the extraterritorial rights in China was then presented for formal action.

A wave of applause from the gallery followed the adoption of the Root resolutions.

Secretary Hughes did not present resolutions relative to foreign post-offices in China. It is understood the date of withdrawal has not been finally fixed.

In quick succession the resolution relative to China's neutrality and prohibiting future treaties in conflict with the Root resolutions were unanimously approved.

The resolution of December 7 regarding radio facilities in China also was omitted from Secretary Hughes' report. He said the discussions were proceeding.

After the conference had adopted those resolutions agreed upon by the Far Eastern committee, Mr. Hughes continued:

"I may add that discussion of the questions relating to China are still in progress and it is hoped, at least, I may be allowed personally to express the hope that these resolutions already adopted and the consideration of other matters that are before the committee may lead to an appropriate agreement in which the powers may have the opportunity to adhere."

WEATHER FORECAST FOR NEXT WEEK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are:

Northern Rocky Mountain and plateau regions—Generally fair fair weather and normal temperature but with a probability of occasional rains and snows west of the divide.

Pacific States—Frequent rains in Washington, Oregon and northern California, probably extending into central California. Generally fair in southern California. Normal temperature.

Monthly Tonnage Report.
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The monthly tonnage report of the United States Steel corporation, made public today showed 4,250,542 tons of unfilled orders on hand November 30. This is a decrease from October's unfilled orders which totalled 4,286,829 tons.